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OKAMOTO

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371

March 8, 2002

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed February 22, 2002 (copy attached), Applicants submit that an inventors' Declaration in compliance with 37 CFR §§ 1.497(a) and (b) was filed on February 5, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the PTO-stamped receipt confirming that the Declaration was filed in this patent application.

Applicants also submit that paper and computer readable forms of the Sequence Listing, along with a Preliminary Amendment directing their entry and making the statements required by 37 CFR § 1.821 et seq., were filed on February 15, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the PTO-stamped receipt confirming that the paper and computer readable forms of the Sequence Listing, along with the Preliminary Amendment, were filed in this patent application.

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Applicants earnestly solicit issuance of the Official filing receipt and an early examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any further information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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· Indication of Small Entity Status

Priority Document

- Biochemical Sequence Listing
- Copy of IPE Report
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- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination
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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The icllowing items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the
 requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
 - A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
 - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
 - An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Listing."
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A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Other: Substitute paper and computer readable forms of the Sequence Listing and copy of the translation of the **International Preliminary Examination Report**



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Amendment

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Claims

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